



BOY SCOUTS START BIG DRIVE TO AID NATION'S DEFENDERS AT FRONT

COUNCIL WILL START POLICE PROBEMONDAY

General Investigation Scheduled to Proceed Without Awaiting Return of Defendants from Chadron.

City commissioners are getting ready to take up the general police investigation Monday. If the Chadron case goes to trial on Friday the council will not wait for the return of the Omaha defendants and their witnesses, as it is not essential to have them here at the beginning of a general investigation, the commissioners explained.

For the present city officials are marking time on matters which have demanded their attention for several weeks. Their regular work was neglected and they were glad to have relief from the steady grind of the trial.

The second charges filed against Captain Maloney will be considered next Monday morning and a date set for hearing.

Judge Dungan to Preside. Judge Harry Dungan of Hastings will preside in the district court of Dawes county when Maloney and other defendants appear for trial Friday.

Mrs. Elsie Phelps, star witness for the prosecution, said Phil Winkler, of Omaha, a defendant, told her of an alleged statement by Judge Westover that he hoped "they would get Crites."

Judge Westover is said to be a personal friend of County Attorney Crites of Chadron. He denies making the remark, but is reported to have decided he was disqualified from presiding.

Off for Chadron. Chadron will be the scene of the next chapter of this great serial. Attorney H. C. Brome, Mrs. Elsie Phelps and Detective Paul Sutton returned this morning for Dawes county. The personnel of the party which will leave late this afternoon includes Attorney Ben S. Baker and these six Omaha defendants in the conspiracy case: Captain Stephen Maloney, William S. Dolan, Charles W. Pipkin, Harvey Wolf, Gust A. Tylee and Philip Winkler.

Nine men who were bound over in the county court at Chadron three weeks ago were directed by Judge Slattery to appear Friday of this week for trial. Attorneys for the defendants will plead for a change of venue to another county on the ground that a fair and impartial trial cannot be held in Dawes county. If the change of venue is granted, it is reasonably certain that the trial will go over to September term of court.

Will Hurry Inquiry. The commissioners will begin to consider the matter of a general investigation of the police department. There is a disposition to begin that investigation without delay and one recommendation has been made that witnesses appear behind closed doors, before the city commissioners, city legal department and representatives of the newspapers. Such a plan, it has been explained, would tend to give witnesses more freedom of expression.

Sloan Applauded as He Lauds His Home State

Washington, June 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Sloan last night in a speech in the house on the food control bill reminded that body of the important part Nebraska would take in production of foodstuffs during the war. His declaration that Nebraska already is creating a greater surplus of food for the markets than any other state in the union was vigorously applauded, as was his reference to General Pershing, whom he said was now regarded as the first soldier of the republic.

Three Thousand Buildings Burned at Yonezawa, Japan

(Correspondence of The Associated Press.) Yonezawa, Japan, June 1.—The city of Yonezawa, one of the most important silk weaving centers in Japan, is scarcely more than a pile of ruins as a result of a fire which destroyed more than 3,000 buildings and houses, caused fourteen deaths and made thousands homeless. The loss is estimated at \$5,000,000.

Athlete Kills Wife, Two Children and Himself

New York, June 21.—Following a quarrel with his wife over money matters, Richard Barrett, a widely known athlete of Brooklyn, early today shot and killed his wife, his son, Kilton, aged 4; a baby boy, Donald, 1 1/2 years old; and then committed suicide by slashing his throat with a razor and shooting himself in the head.

Rev. E. L. Pidgeon Heads International Rotarians

Atlanta, Ga., June 21.—The Rev. E. Leslie Pidgeon of Winnipeg, Canada, was elected international president of the International association of Rotary clubs at the eighth annual convention here today. H. J. Brunner of San Francisco, was elected vice president.

John D.'s Foundation Gives Five Millions

New York, June 21.—A donation of \$5,000,000 to the Red Cross war fund by the Rockefeller foundation was announced here today. The total subscription made today to the thirty teams working here for the fund was reported at \$6,524,000.

SECOND BANNER OF SUFFRAGISTS IS TORN BY MOB

Treasonable Statement Again Displayed Before White House by Miss Morey and Miss Burns.

Washington, June 21.—The persistence of suffrage sentinels at the White House in hoisting banners bearing inscriptions interpreted as being "treasonable" culminated in an anti-suffrage demonstration there today when a crowd of nearly a thousand persons tore down the banners for a second time today.

The crowd's victory was short-lived, however, for in ten minutes two more banners had been obtained from suffrage headquarters nearby. Policemen notified passersby to let the banners alone.

Once earlier in the day, when the suffragists appeared with a banner bearing the same inscription as that torn down yesterday, a small crowd demolished it without much demonstration. Soon after noon, however, the sentinels reappeared with a new banner, stouter than the others, which they expected the crowd would have more difficulty in destroying.

Police Clear Sidewalks. The crowd was good natured for the most part, but determined in its work and did not attack the women who held the banners. Police were forced to clear the sidewalks in front of the White House several times, but always managed to reach the scene of the attacks on the banners just a moment too late.

The crowd was not organized and showed no signs of interfering with the sentinels themselves until a woman, modestly dressed, who had been talking earnestly to one of the sentinels for several minutes, suddenly snatched one of the banners and ran into Pennsylvania avenue.

Flags Torn to Shreds. In a moment the crowd got into action and the sentinels were surrounded. One by one their flags of purple, white and gold were taken from them and torn to shreds. One standard bearer, Miss Hazel Hunkins, game to the last, climbed upon the pedestal of one of the White House gates and raised her banner as high as she could over her head in an effort to save it. She lasted only a moment. A man took the pole from her hand, broke it over the iron gate and the flag of suffrage fell to the ground.

Charge On Other Gate. After all the banners at one entrance had been torn away the police began to disperse the crowd, but some one remembered the pickets at the other entrance and to the tooting of scores of automobile horns in the crowded avenue, the crowd charged the banner bearers at the other gate. The work there was quickly done. One woman tore a silken strip from the suffrage colors on her hat and held it high on a pole. She was immediately surrounded by a guard of several other suffragists and efforts to take the colors away from her proved unavailing for several minutes.

In the end, however, it met the fate of the rest and for the first time in many months the White house gates were free of suffrage colors. One arrest was made. A police matron took into custody Mrs. Dee Richardson, the woman who, the police said, snatched down the first banner. Later police reserves surrounded the White House and kept the crowds moving.

The White House had steadfastly refused to allow the police to drive the silent sentinels away. Officials have said they did not wish to contribute to any "martyrdom."

The inscription on the banner today was the same as the one displayed yesterday, accusing President Wilson.

Digby Bell, Comedian, Dies After Long Illness

New York, June 21.—Digby Bell, the comedian, died at a sanitarium in this city last night after an illness of several months. He was 68 years old. Mr. Bell starred in "Tar and Tarter," "Jupiter," "A Midnight Bell," "The Hoosier Doctor," "The Education of Mr. Pipp," as the admiral in Pinafire, and other Gilbert and Sullivan operas. His most recent activities were in motion pictures, where he also starred.

Search for Person Willing To Give Blood to Save Patient

The superintendent of Bishop Clarkson Memorial hospital, twenty-first and Dewey avenue last night appealed to The Bee to assist in finding some person willing to submit to an operation for transfusion of blood to save the life of a patient suffering from pernicious anemia. It was stated that a woman patient

GOLDEN JUBILEE COMES TO CLOSE WITH PAGEANT

E. R. Mathers Elected President of State Sunday School Association; Meeting One of Best Ever Held.

The Golden Jubilee convention of the Nebraska Sunday School association was practically brought to a close yesterday afternoon with the conclusion of the routine business. The feature of the meetings, however, was the pageant of religious education staged last night, in which 800 people took part.

There is a meeting of the board of directors this morning at the Hotel Castle and after that the convention, which is considered one of the best ever held in the state, will become a matter of history.

At the afternoon session officers were elected as follows:

President—E. R. Mathers, Falls City.

Vice President—C. C. Westcott, Plattsmouth.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Alona C. Little, Lincoln.

Treasurer—L. C. Oberlies, Lincoln.

Board of Directors—Prof. F. M. Gregg, Peru; H. S. Westbrook, Dunbar; J. L. Duff, Omaha; A. J. Alford, Genoa; H. Lomax, Broken Bow; A. L. Krause, North Bend.

Conquest Flag Awarded.

The conquest flag, awarded to the delegation traveling the greatest number of miles coming to the convention and returning, was awarded to Richardson county. There were 254 delegates and their total mileage figures 70,387.

Otoe county had the second greatest number of delegates, 361, and was given a large American flag as a second prize.

Resolutions were adopted requesting Governor Neville to designate Sunday, July 1, as patriotic Sunday throughout Nebraska; deploring the circulation of the referendum petition against woman's suffrage in Nebraska; standing by the United States in the present war, thanking Omaha, the Commercial club, the Boy Scouts, the Rainbow chorus and the newspapers for their efforts in helping to make the convention such a pronounced success.

Visitors Make Addresses.

During the afternoon there were three short addresses, Rev. George S. Sutton of Kansas City, talking on "The Pastor and the Church School"; Richard Heilbron of St. Louis, on "The Tree and Trails," and Marion Lawrence of Chicago on "The Teacher as a Soul Winner."

A collection was taken to liquidate a debt of \$1,000 that has been hanging over the association for many years. The amount was considered very liberal and goes a long way toward wiping out the indebtedness.

Mrs. J. W. Briscoe exhibited a banner presented to the state association in 1890 by the Women's Christian Temperance association. It carries the slogan, "For God and Home in Every Land."

Officers Chosen.

E. Mathers, Falls City, was elected president of the Nebraska State Sunday School association yesterday. Other officers elected were C. C. Westcott, vice president, Plattsmouth; Mrs. Alona C. Little, recording secretary, Lincoln; and L. C. Oberlies, treasurer, Lincoln.

The next annual convention will be held in Hastings. This was determined by the executive committee of the association at the meeting yesterday. The date will be fixed by the committee. Several cities sought the prize, but Hastings was the only one that sent a guarantee with its invitation and consequently it was the only city given consideration.

Balcombe's Slayer to Be Arraigned Friday

Liberty, Mo., June 21.—(Special.)—Bee B. Smith, 25 years old, of Excelsior Springs, will be placed on trial here Friday for the murder of Urban V. Balcombe, a wealthy real estate dealer of Omaha, Neb. On March 7 Smith was at his popcorn stand in the Auditorium when Balcombe walked into the building and was at once shot down by Smith. Smith has never made a statement as to why he did the shooting.

Flour Drops \$2.40 Per Barrel Within a Week

Chicago, June 21.—Flour sold today for \$2.40 less a barrel than a week ago, standard spring patents bringing \$14 and bakers' brands \$12.10. Nearly 50 cents of the decline was registered yesterday.

was in a dangerous condition and would succumb unless new blood could be transfused into her system. A person with plenty of healthy new blood is required. Physicians at the hospital said \$15 would be paid to the man or woman from whom the blood is taken. He said the operation is neither painful nor dangerous.



His Bit

RUSS TO RESUME OFFENSIVE WITH NEW ARMY SOON

Soldiers' Congress, Representing All Parts of Country, For Immediate Action; New War Cabinet Formed.

London, June 21.—Dispatches from Petrograd to the Exchange Telegraph company say that the congress of Soldiers' and Workmen's delegates from the whole of Russia yesterday voted confidence in the provisional government and unanimously adopted a resolution demanding an immediate resumption of the offensive and the reorganization of the army.

A war cabinet was formed, including the leaders of the Russian army and navy and technical representatives.

Martial Law at Tomsk.

Petrograd, June 21.—Martial law has been proclaimed in Tomsk, western Siberia, because of wholesale murders and robberies committed by criminals, who had been granted amnesty and had joined the forces of the militant anarchists. More than 1,500 of these pardoned criminals have been arrested, with about 800 others. Twenty persons were killed and a number wounded.

The arrests followed the exposure of a plot to plunder all the banks and shops and assassinate the leaders of civic organizations. The 800 associates of the criminals were dragged from the haunts of the latter. The casualties occurred when some resistance was offered to the arrests.

German Prisoners of War Taken to Fort Douglas

Salt Lake City, June 21.—Heavily guarded and secretly conveyed, ten more German prisoners of war arrived in Salt Lake last night from the coast and were taken to Fort Douglas for internment. Included in the party was Baron I. von Elpous of San Francisco, who was accompanied by his wife. The baroness will be quartered at a local hotel at the expense of the United States government while her husband is interned.

Powell Cartoon May Bother Dan Cupid Some

The city commissioners this morning, for the first time in ten days, occupied their seats in the city council chamber without facing a crowd. The municipal duds appreciated the calm which hung over the large room.

They watched the curls of their tobacco smoke and mused retrospectively over the thrilling drama which had been unfolded before them in connection with the Maloney hearing.

The cartoon of Doane Powell, The Bee artist, was a subject of general comment among the commissioners as they sat around the long table. This cartoon caused considerable merriment and each commissioner had some comment to offer.

Dan Butler fears his matrimonial prospects have been blighted by Powell. The cartoon was referred to as one of the best caricatures seen in many days.

CLEARY SAYS HE WILL INVOKE THE AID OF UNCLE SAM

Special Agent of the Electricians Says Injunction Only a Scheme to Stop the Investigation.

"If they stop the strike probe by the State Board of Mediation and Investigation, we will appeal to the Department of Labor and have this thing investigated by the federal government," said Raymond Cleary of Chicago, special representative of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, who has been in Omaha for some months in connection with the strike of electrical workers.

"Attorney General Reed has threatened to arrest Chairman Cowell and the other members of the state board if they attempt to go ahead with their investigation Friday morning in violation, as he calls it, of his injunction. We'll see what will happen Friday morning. The injunction was nothing but a scheme to stop the investigation."

"You ask me if the electrical workers are back at work this morning. Why of course they are not. Attorney General Reed, President Reynolds and some others met the other night to talk over the situation. The electrical workers then said they would go back to work at 57 1/2 cents, the old scale, on all jobs started before April 1, and that on all jobs started after that they would demand 68 1/2 cents, which is what they have been asking. The attorney general said he was sure the contractors would agree to that."

"But when the men showed up for work with this proposition, the contractors told them to go to, and followed it up by saying that the attorney general nor no one else would tell them who to hire or how much to pay."

Refuses to Leave Town.

"The attorney general also told Reynolds to tell all the outside agitators and organizers to get out of town or he would throw them in jail. I suppose he classes me with them, I have not left town yet."

Though by no means all of the workers have gone back to their jobs, the activity in delivering building material is more general than it has been for some time. The Merchants Express company has twenty-five teams working. Walter Jardine, of the Merchants Express, told men when they gathered Wednesday evening for their pay envelopes that all old employees who wanted to go back to work would be taken back at the old scale, but that after Thursday he would endeavor to fill up his ranks from whatever source he could, and would not promise to hold scales open for former employees.

Veteran Postal Clerk Is Dismissed for Disloyalty. St. Louis, June 21.—Justus H. Reinhardt, chief stamp clerk at a branch postoffice here was discharged from the government service yesterday on charges that he made disloyal remarks concerning the government and the president. He had been a postal employe here about thirty-seven years.

OMAHA POURS ITS GOLD INTO FOLDS OF "OLD GLORY" FOR BENEFIT OF RED CROSS FUND

Contributions Made to Committee Were \$176,676.75; Fund Grows \$32,147 in Twenty-four Hours; Boy Scout Teams Report Splendid Progress in House-to-House Campaign.

Omaha Boy Scouts yesterday did their bit in the cause of Red Cross, obtaining 230 subscriptions, totaling \$1,520, up to 7 o'clock last night.

The different troupes covered every nook and corner of Greater Omaha.

The homes of the rich and poor were canvassed and high executives of big business, as well as the most humble factory hands, were asked to give "one day's pay" to the Red Cross.

The Scouts displayed keen rivalry as to which troupe turned in the most subscriptions. The drive, focussed on the residence district, was begun at 8 o'clock in the morning and ended at dusk last night.

WHOLESALE CUTS IN FITZGERALD'S LIST CONTINUE

Assessor Does Not Get Much Support from the Rest of the Board of Equalization.

Current happenings in the chambers of the board of equalization, sitting in the court house, indicate that County Assessor Fitzgerald and a couple of his "official advisers" are the only ones favoring the wholesale boosts in taxes.

The board as a whole continues its "ruthless campaign" of reducing assessments from raises made by the county assessor.

Notices of raises totaling millions were sent out to approximately 5,000 Omaha jobbers, manufacturers, stores, big business concerns and individuals, but the subsequent protests against the boosts revealed the county assessor in practically every instance to be the only member of the equalization board favoring them.

Assessor Overruled. Reductions have been voted right and left over the county assessor's objections.

About 600 protests have been heard thus far, and of this number County Assessor Fitzgerald's boosts have been sustained in only a few cases—these mostly involving small amounts.

The biggest grist of business since the equalization board began its sessions is scheduled for this evening, when representatives of big Omaha jobbers, retailers and other business concerns will appear to protest raises running into the millions.

Batteries of Legal Talent. It is understood different lines of business have lined up batteries of

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Phil McCullough Gets His Commission in U. S. Army

Phillip Morgan McCullough is the latest Omaha boy to get his commission in the United States army. He is made first lieutenant in the signal corps, his commission dating from June 11.

Lieutenant McCullough is now at Minneapolis, where he has been employed in the engineering department of the Bee Telephone company. He will be engaged in active duty, forming new companies for the signal corps battalion, soon to be assembled at Fort Leavenworth. He is a graduate from the College of Engineers of the University of Nebraska and the youngest son of Colonel and Mrs. T. W. McCullough.

Hundred Million Fund More Than Half Pledged. Washington, June 21.—The nationwide Red Cross financial campaign reached the middle of the week canvass today with about half the desired \$100,000,000 fund already pledged. Reports to national headquarters this morning showed a total of \$43,500,000.

"The critical period of the campaign has arrived," said Henry P. Davison, head of the Red Cross war council. "We must not let up now. Rather we should oversubscribe the amount. Neither the Red Cross nor the American people can afford to fail in this effort."

More than twenty-five cities already have exceeded their opportunity for the entire campaign. Following are among the cities today added to the honor roll of communities which have reached or exceeded their appointments: Cleveland, Kansas City, Hutchinson and Ellsworth, Kan.; Colorado Springs and Montevista, Colo.; Wenatchee and Hoquiam, Wash.; Lagrande, Ore.; Blackwell, Okl.; Eureka, Cal., and Brazil, Ind.

One \$500 Subscription. Many Scouts, who worked during the day, did not get on the job until late in the afternoon and after 6 o'clock last night.

"Never before have I seen such spirit and enthusiasm among the Boy Scouts," said Scoutmaster English. Scout Edgar M. Morsman obtained a \$500 subscription from his father. Scout Harvey N. Carlberg won the honors in turning in the greatest number of subscriptions. He was credited with having obtained twenty-seven subscriptions at 6 o'clock.

Day's Total \$32,147. At noon yesterday the various teams reported that Omaha has subscribed \$32,147 during the day to the Red Cross, making the total to date for the week, \$176,676.75.

G. W. Watten, chairman of the finance committee, announced the total money in sight for the first three days of the week campaign was \$195,000.

Omaha Doing Its Bit. Omaha fairly is pouring gold into Old Glory's folds for the use of the Red Cross war fund. The estimate of pledges made up to noon by the captains of the ten teams and 400 Boy Scouts was several thousand dollars.

"Never before have I seen such spirit and enthusiasm among the Boy Scouts," said Scoutmaster English. Ward M. Burgess, vice president of the finance committee, promised the scouts a picnic at the Louis Nash farm, north of Calhoun, Thursday or Friday next week, besides a banquet to the winning team.

A gold, silver and a bronze medal each bearing a Red Cross will be given to the individual scouts reporting the highest number of subscriptions.

Work Sunday, Too. The Scouts asked the privilege to work all day Sunday making talks in their respective churches in behalf of the campaign.

A woman's patriotic emergency rally will be held at Boyd's theater Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of mobilizing an army of 1,000 women to call at the homes on Saturday to collect the 40,000 pledges promised over the telephone Wednesday. As 400 Boy Scouts are working on farms helping in the food conservation work, there are not enough boys to visit all the homes.

Ward M. Burgess will preside at the meeting and the following women will each make one-minute speeches: Mrs. Phillip Potter, regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution; Mrs. E. M. R. Sunderland, president of the Association of Collegi-

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Seven Italian Ships Are Sunk by Torpedoes

Rome, June 21.—Two Italian steamers and five sailing ships were torpedoed by submarines during the last week, according to the official weekly announcement made public today. Two others steamers were attacked, but escaped.

During the same period 606 ships, with a total gross tonnage of 443,170, entered Italian ports and 531 ships, with a tonnage of 481,755 sailed.

The Real Tribute

For first twenty days of June, 1917, total paid display advertising in The Bee, compared with the same month of last year.

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